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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| In re Application of |) |
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| Hiromu OHARA | |
| Serial No.: Not Yet Assigned |) Group Art Unit: |
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For: PCI RADIATION IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS, PCI RADIATION IMAGE DETECTING APPARATUS, PCI RADIATION IMAGE OUTPUTTING APPARATUS, AND PCI IMAGE DIAGNOSIS SUPPORTING APPARATUS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231
Attention:

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Insert the following amended paragraph at Page 17, lines 9 and 10:

Figs. 9(a) to 9(e) are a series of graphs explaining dynamic range compression processing.

Insert the following amended paragraph at Page 19, lines 1 and 2:

Figs. 24(a) and 24(b) are views in which a scale is attached to the image.

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